STUDENTS

Student Absences, Excuses, and Tardies

Student absences shall be monitored at the school level and, as required by Virginia law, parents shall make every effort to ensure their student's regular attendance. Absences to be excused are defined in the “Code of Behavior.” Individual schools may choose to adopt attendance awards for students.

Students who are absent by reason of observance of a religious holiday shall be marked as excused and not penalized.

Promptness to class is very important. Students are to be in their seats and ready to work when the bell sounds. Repeated or habitual tardiness encourages the formation of undesirable personal habits and disrupts the orderly instructional process of the school. This requires corrective action. Each principal, in consultation with his/her stakeholders, and in conformance with Regulation 724-1, “Attendance and Excuses,” shall develop a plan to foster student promptness to class.

The Associate Superintendent for Student Learning and Accountability (or designee) is responsible for implementing and monitoring this policy.

This policy and any related regulations shall be reviewed at least every five years and revised as needed.


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